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RESPONSE

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This is responsive to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 31, 2002. Reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully solicited in view of the following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENTS

The present claims are in the following form and have not been amended.

22. A device for extracting gas bubbles from blood comprising:  
a housing having an input channel and an outlet channel;  
said input channel and said outlet channel being concentric along a  
housing axis;